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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions under Rule 1.136(a) for a one (1) month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed August 6, 2003, extending the response time to and including December 8, 2003. A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the appropriate fee. The Commissioner, however, is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to deposit Account No. 50-1039.

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Dated: December 8, 2003